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Examiner Lewis,

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Thanks,
Scott Hertzog



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6424641 INSPEC Abstract Number: A2000-02-7340L-003, B2000-01-0520F-077

Title: Improved double delta-doped InGaAs/GaAs heterostructures with symmetric **graded channel**

Author(s): Li, Y.J.; Shieh, H.M.; Su, J.S.; Kao, M.J.; Hsu, W.C.

Journal: Materials Chemistry and Physics vol.61, no.3 p.266-9

Publication Date: 1 Nov. 1999 Country of Publication: Switzerland

CODEN: MCHPDR ISSN: 0254-0584

Abstract: Improved delta-doped (delta-doped) InGaAs/GaAs field-effect transistors by **grading** both sides of the InGaAs **channel** are grown by metal-organic chemical vapor deposition. With the In **composition** linearly **varied** from $x=0.18$ at the GaAs/InGaAs heterointerface to $x=0.25$ at center of the InGaAs **channel**, significantly enhanced mobility due to reduced scattering is achieved when compared to that without **graded** heterostructure. A distinguishable two-dimensional electron gas from Shubnikov-de Hass (SdH) measurement is observed. Meanwhile, an improved extrinsic transconductance of 300 mS/mm with gate length of 1.2 μ m is obtained. (10 Refs)

Class Codes: A7340L (Electrical properties of semiconductor-to-semiconductor contacts, p-n junctions, and heterojunctions); A6855 (Thin film growth, structure, and epitaxy); A7360L (Electrical properties of III-V and II-VI semiconductors (thin films/low-dimensional structures)); A8115H (Chemical vapour deposition); B0520F (Chemical vapour deposition); B2520D (II-VI and III-V semiconductors); B2530B (Semiconductor junctions); B2560S (Other field effect devices)

Chemical Indexing:

InGaAs-GaAs int - InGaAs int - GaAs int - As int - Ga int - In int -
InGaAs ss - As ss - Ga ss - In ss - GaAs bin - As bin -
Ga bin (Elements - 3,2,3)

Numerical Indexing: size 1.2E-06 m; electrical conductivity 3.0E+02 S/m

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WPI Acc No: 1993-238099/199330

Electron gas FET has improved indium gallium arsenide channel layer -
with reduced lattice mismatch and high electron mobility and confinement

Patent Assignee: NEC CORP (NIDE)

Inventor: ANDO Y; KUZUHARA M; ONDA K

Patent Family:

JP 5160162 A 19930625 JP 91320828 A 19911205 199330 B

US 5373168 A 19941213 US 92988407 A 19921207 199504

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 91320828 A 19911205

Abstract (Basic): US 5373168 A

A cpd. semiconductor multilayer structure having a two-dimensional electron gas (2DEG), comprises first and second potential barriers (14,2), comprising n-doped AlGaAs and intrinsic GaAs resp., a quantum well layer of i-In_xGa_{1-x}As of lower band gap than the barrier layers and comprising four layers (13A,B,C) in which x is greater in the second, central layer (13B) than in the layers adjacent to the barriers and the band gap varies perpendicularly with a min. between, but not adjacent to, the interfaces.

Also claimed is a structure as above in which x has a max. value at 30-110 Å from the potential barrier to AlGaAs. Further claimed is a structure as above in which there is a fifth layer in the quantum well layer with x continuing to decrease towards the barrier.

Also claimed is a structure as above in which there is a fifth layer as above and x has a max. value at 30-100 Å as above.

Further claimed is a structure as above in which x has a max. value in the fourth layer of five.

Also claimed is an FET as above in which the substrate is semi-insulating, the multilayer is epitaxial, there is a buffer layer, source and drain are formed on the potential barrier layer, and a gate contact.

Further claimed is a structure as above forming an FET in which x has a max. value in the third layer of the channel layer rather than the second layer as in the claim above.

Also claimed is an FET as above in which x in the channel layer has a max. value at 30-100 Å from the potential barrier layer.

Further claimed is an FET as above in which x has a max. in the third layer of the channel layer and not the second as above.

Also claimed is an FET as above in which x has a max. value in the fourth of the five channel layers.

USE - For quantum well FET devices such as MODFETs, HEMTs, and other 2DEGFETs.

ADVANTAGE - Electron mobility and confinement is good at high electron densities and lattice mismatch is suppressed.

International Patent Class (Main): H01L-021/338; H01L-029/80

International Patent Class (Additional): H01L-029/161; H01L-029/205;
H01L-029/227; H01L-029/812

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Gallium indium arsenide FET - has planar dope layer and greater saturation velocity and carrier-confined efficiency
Patent Assignee: KUWATA N (KUWA-I); SUMITOMO CHEM CO LTD (SUMO); SUMITOMO ELECTRIC CO (SUME); SUMITOMO ELECTRIC IND CO (SUME)

Inventor: KUWATA N

US 5206527 A 19930427 US 91788149 A 19911107 199318
EP 484968 B1 19950426 EP 91119069 A 19911108 199521

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 91976 A 19910109; JP 90305747 A 19901109

Abstract (Basic): EP 484968 A

An FET, having greater saturation velocity and carrier confined and doping efficiency, comprises a channel layer (4,5,6) of GaInAs, having a two-dimensional thin plane doped layer, a cap layer (7) and buffer layer (3) of GaInAs of lower In compsn. than the channel layer and lying above and below it, and two semi-conductor layers (8,2) in contact with the cap and buffer layers and composed of GaAs or GaInAs contg. less In than these layers.

USE/ADVANTAGE - An FET (claimed) useful for high frequency applications is provided. The planar doped layer device has greater saturation velocity, carrier confined efficiency and doping efficiency, and saturation velocity in a weaker electric field is not degraded.

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Abstract (Equivalent): US 5206527 A

Field effect transistor (FET) comprises channel layer of FaInAs having planar doped layer formed by impurity doping in a thin plane; cap layer and buffer layer of GaInAs to sandwich and contact the channel layer inbetween, with cap and buffer layers having an In concn. lower than min.. In concn. of chamber layer; 1st semiconductor layer underlying the buffer layer and having In concn. lower than min.. In concn. of the buffer layer; and 2nd semiconductor layer on the cup layer with In concn. lower than min. In concn. of the cup layer.

Pref. plane doped layer is central of the channel layer.

ADVANTAGE - High saturation velocity, carrier confine and doping-efficiency.

International Patent Class (Main): H01L-021/338; H01L-029/784; H01L-029/80;
H01L-029/812

International Patent Class (Additional): H01L-029/161; H01L-029/205;
H01L-029/36; H01L-029/48; H01L-029/81

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